# Town Council Workshop Special Session/Public Hearing April 23, 2018

Present: Rebecca Mann, Lee Colllins, Frank Vari, Mayor Rich Taylor, Frank Hill, Carolyn Blevins, Town

**Attorney Tom Yeager** 

Staff: Acting Town Manager Rob Bernstine, Clerk/Treasurer Valerie Walls

Mayor Rich Taylor called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the Fiscal Budget for 2018/2019.

Public Hearing was closed and Council Opened into a Special Session
Ordinance for Budget Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 was introduced.

### **Prior Business:**

Rob Bernstine updated the Council on the five major projects we have ongoing with KCI.

Focus on First Street, project out to bid, deletes three parking spots, want to add some lighting. A few adjustments – part of the original package from KCI, did not include bid part. Need to make sure erosion items are addressed. Plans done two years ago; there's certain things that need to be addressed or modified. Put Village Center Streetscape on May agenda as a voting item.

Safe Routes to School- — drainage around the corner needs to be worked out.

Helen Titter Park-where letters sent to adjoining property owners? Property has been posted. Bid out in portions. Letters to be sent to neighbors ASAP. Projects have not been sent to Planning Commission. Union Street — storm water issues should be addressed first. Not ready to be put out to bid. When it goes out to bid — bid should include with and without the steps. Neighbors have concerns of height of plants that will be used. Didn't want the park used at night — no lighting planned.

Bohemia Trail: vote on \$16K to re-align vote moving ahead. Approve the funding to complete the engineering. Council needs to be ready to vote on these projects at the May voting session.

### Noise:

Town Attorney – the 2009 ordinance to be the current ordinance, not what was amended in 2014 Ordinance. Rob confirms that 2009 ordinance is the code to be used. New resolution to take care of the recitals – 1-1-2009; Council doesn't want to banned music 100%. Disturbing the peace to include a municipal infraction. Pursing with enforcement: Will review with the deputies. Will be meeting with the State Police from North East

# Music -

When complaints are recurring and predictable: – written complaint to Town through Code Enforcement, several readings, in house or a hired person. There is a class online to be certified for \$400. Wants to develop written procedure, Need to purchase a calibrator done on site, \$329 in cost.

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Review draft procedures at the next workshop. Town needs to focus on enforcing the current ordinance before any changes made to it.

Generator – contacting Richard Books Emergency Services with the County. The purpose is to make Town Hall an Emergency hub to keep town hall functioning.

501 Cecil Street: County can condemn it, property is unsafe, town doesn't have a maintenance code. Town Manager to contact the county to inspect it – the county will tear down unsafe homes.

MOU with Cecil Transit – asking Council to review and vote on at the next meeting.

Tree work – Heartwood – tree on Cecil is dying – almost a hazard. Delmarva took tree down on Bohemia. Vote on at next meeting.

## **Public Comment**

Rob McLarnon: Sewer maintenance, pump house is in sad shape and the area needs cleaned up. *Note: it is on the Public Works list.* 

Harriet Davis: May 4 is the last day to sign up to run for Council or Mayor.

Frank Vari – thanking Lee Collins for coming on the Finance Committee before appointed to Council. Thanking the Finance Committee for an early start on the budget, Chris Ortt, Lee Collins, Rich Taylor and Valerie Walls. Thanking Carolyn for work on noise ordinance.

Rob Bernstine: – water tower logo will be laid out on Wednesday around 1030. Accident 4/13 on trail. Young boy playing on bike rack and it flipped over causing massive dental bills. Inspected, Town Attorney contacted along with LGIT. Town not aware they were loose. All have been removed; LGIT will investigate to validate of claim.

**MOTION:** Rebecca Mann made a motion, seconded by Carolyn Blevins to adjourn the meeting at 9:08pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

D. Valerie Walls, Clerk/Treasurer

Richard L Taylor III, Mayor

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